

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

The following is a complete listing of the claims, which replace all previous versions of the claims.

1. (Currently Amended) A system, comprising:  
a base;  
a display coupled to the base, such that the display is rotatable relative to the base about an axis of rotation;  
a clutch disposed at the axis of rotation, wherein the clutch is engageable to resist rotation of the display relative to the base about the axis of rotation; and  
an operator coupled to the clutch and actuatable by a single hand of a user to facilitate simultaneous disengagement of the clutch and rotation of the display relative to the base about the axis of rotation, wherein the operator is mounted to the display at a position offset from the axis of rotation.
2. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the operator comprises a switch having first and second positions, the first position having the clutch engaged to provide a full resistive force against rotation of the display relative to the base, and the second position having the clutch disengaged to substantially remove all of the resistive force.
3. (Cancelled).
4. (Original) The system of claim 1, comprising a computer system having the base, the display, the clutch, and the operator.
5. (Currently Amended) An electronic device, comprising:  
a rotatable display having an axis of rotation;  
a rotational resistance mechanism coupled to the rotatable display to provide a resistive force against rotation of the rotatable display about the axis of rotation; and

a resistance release coupled to the rotational resistance mechanism and engageable at a position offset from the axis of rotation, wherein the resistance release is disposed at an edge of the rotatable display opposite from the axis of rotation.

6. (Original) The electronic device of claim 5, comprising a component housing coupled to the rotatable display at the axis of rotation.

7. (Cancelled).

8. (Original) The electronic device of claim 5, wherein the rotational resistance mechanism comprises a clutch mechanism.

9. (Original) The electronic device of claim 5, wherein the resistance release is switchable between first and second positions, the first position having all of the resistive force, the second position substantially removing all of the resistive force.

10. (Currently Amended) A method of providing an electronic device, comprising:  
providing a rotatable display having an axis of rotation;  
providing a rotational resistance mechanism coupleable to the rotatable display to  
provide a resistive force against rotation of the rotatable display about the axis  
of rotation; ~~and~~  
providing a resistance release coupleable to the rotational resistance mechanism and  
engageable at a position offset from the axis of rotation[.];and  
mounting the resistance release at an edge of the rotatable display opposite from the  
axis of rotation.

11. (Original) The method of claim 10, comprising providing a component housing coupleable to the rotatable display at the axis of rotation.

12. (Original) The method of claim 11, comprising assembling the rotatable display with the component housing.

13. (Cancelled).
14. (Original) The method of claim 10, wherein providing the rotational resistance mechanism comprises mounting a clutch mechanism at the axis of rotation.
15. (Cancelled).
16. (Original) The method of claim 10, wherein providing the resistance release comprises providing a mechanical operator that is switchable between first and second positions, the second position substantially removing all of the resistive force to facilitate rotation of the rotatable display about the axis of rotation.
17. (Currently Amended) A method of operating an electronic device, comprising:  
engaging a rotational resistance mechanism about an axis of rotation of a rotatable display to oppose rotation of the display relative to a base portion; and  
switchably releasing the rotational resistance mechanism in response to user actuation of an operator mounted at a position offset from the axis of rotation and coupled to the rotational resistance mechanism, wherein switchably releasing comprises electrically disengaging the rotational resistance mechanism.
18. (Original) The method of claim 17, wherein engaging the rotational resistance mechanism comprises actuating a clutch mechanism to resist rotation of the rotatable display.
19. (Cancelled).
20. (Original) The method of claim 17, wherein switchably releasing comprises mechanically disengaging the rotational resistance mechanism.
21. (Original) The method of claim 17, wherein switchably releasing comprises substantially removing a resistive force provided by the rotational resistance mechanism.

22. (Original) The method of claim 17, wherein switchably releasing comprises simultaneously releasing the rotational resistance mechanism and rotating the rotatable display about the axis of rotation with a single hand of a user.

23-24. (Cancelled).

25. (New) A method of providing an electronic device, comprising:  
providing a rotatable display having an axis of rotation;  
providing a rotational resistance mechanism coupleable to the rotatable display to  
    provide a resistive force against rotation of the rotatable display about the axis  
    of rotation; and  
providing a resistance release coupleable to the rotational resistance mechanism and  
    engageable at a position offset from the axis of rotation, wherein providing the  
    resistance release comprises providing an electrical operator that is switchable  
    between first and second positions, the second position substantially removing  
    all of the resistive force to facilitate rotation of the rotatable display about the  
    axis of rotation.

26. (New) The system of claim 1, wherein the system is a portable computer.